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MAULIFFE AND HIS DOUBLE.

District-Attorney Jerome thinks that plain stupidity on the part of the police may account for some of their seemingly inexplicable conduct in the McAuliffe case. This stupidity, he believes, may explain their failure to take the names of bystanders after the discovery of the battered victim on the sidewalk, and their further failure to recognize in him the occupant of a station-house cell of the night before.

Perhaps it is with an endeavor to redeem this "stupidity" by a display of great ingenuity that they advance the theory that there were two McAuliffes in the affair—the dead man and a double of his, now lost to view, but recalled as the man who was kept over night in the Forty-seventh street station charged with intoxication and released thirty minutes before the finding of the victim of the "accident." They suggest a one-night performance of a two-Dromio drama, a suggestion that would border on the grotesque if it were not for the tragic and awkward fact that the chief performer is dead by violence.

It is an ingenious hypothesis, but it will not divert public attention from the main point of interest in the mystery, which is: Who murdered McAuliffe?

Two Important Half Hours.—In both the McAuliffe case and the Brooks tragedy a half hour has become a great moment. Thirty minutes elapsed between the discharge of McAuliffe from a cell and the discovery of his dead body. And in the thirty minutes between 10:45 and 11:15 P. M. after the death of Brooks Florence Burns may have walked to the bridge from the Glen Island Hotel, crossed to Brooklyn and taken the Kings County "L" train on which Conductor Wadsworth thinks he saw her. They are fragments of time of the greatest importance.

THE ENDLESS CHAIN OF DIVORCE.

When it is known that a young wife in New York society has bought a ticket for South Dakota the first question that is asked is: "Whom does she want to marry next?"

It is also assumed that the afflicted husband has already picked out his consolation for his first failure. Furthermore, it is the invariable rule that the new partners must be married people, whose existing ties must be loosened before they can contract new ones.

If they are really "in society" their deserted partners in turn will seek new affluities under the same conditions, thus widening the circle of divorce, after the manner of the "endless chain."

Technically all this is not bigamy, but it certainly is not real matrimony. Does any one claim that it is in accord with sound morality?

Exceeding the Limit.—Isn't the Weather Bureau asking too much of Dr. Woodbury in sending us this second snowstorm before we have got through with the first? There ought to be reason in all things.

THE FIRST CARNEGIE LIBRARY.

The awarding of the contract for the first of the Carnegie libraries for this city is an event of hardly less importance than the beginning of the work on the Public Library. If the splendid structure on Fifth avenue will attract the world's admiration as one of the proudest of our municipal monuments, the branch libraries will not be less admirable in serving the useful purpose of bringing the books near to the people who are to read them.

Mr. Carnegie has given away much money—none of it unwisely. But nowhere has he made a more judicious endowment than in bringing the resources of learning and literary recreation within reach of the masses of this great city. He has thereby done much to leave the world better than he found it.

More Police Perquisites.—No wonder that there is, as Commissioner Partridge says, a long list of applicants for positions on the force when the captains pick up tips on stocks and the patrolmen pick up bonds from the sidewalk.

FORTUNES MADE FROM "SHINES."

The suit in the Supreme Court to fix the ownership of the firm name of "Tony the Bootblack" throws an interesting light on the profits that are made in the humble profession of shoe shining. Anthony Aste, who asserts that he is the only original "Tony," was given the bootblack's privileges of the Produce Exchange in 1884, and has since extended his business to other buildings. In one year he cleared \$25,000 from his "parlor" in the Produce Exchange. His sale of Nasturtium to W. C. Whitney and J. B. Haggin for \$50,000 a while ago showed how some of his profits are invested.

When Dickens was first introduced to our "honorable parlors" and "sample rooms" and "bootblack emporiums," their high-sounding designations moved him to mirth. But a bootblack with a yearly balance of \$25,000 on the right side of his ledger may snap his fingers at the ridicule of a Dickens or any other literary figure. How many of them are making as much?

An Unnoticed Asset.—The amount is really trifling, but still if delinquent taxpayers owe the city \$32,255,38.57 arrears of taxes, water rates and assessments the Comptroller might as well collect it.

ARCADIA IN ILLINOIS.

Millions of suffering passengers in crowded New York must have read with feelings of mingled admiration and envy the story of the Illinois railroad conductor, Llewellyn Mason, and his legacy of \$1,000, bequeathed by a grateful passenger as a "recognition of courteous treatment" received from him. It is the universal desire in New York that this story should have a wide circulation, and that the deep lesson it contains should be duly impressed upon the attention of all conductors, motormen and others whose employment brings them into direct personal contact with the travelling public.

It is to be feared, however, that such an attempt would be futile and that the hope based upon it is vain.

The order to "step lively" comes from the lips of the conductor, but it emanates from "higher up," and there is no reason to believe that even a prospect of a legacy of \$1,000 would induce our traction magnates to show courtesy to their victims. New York is not Bloomington, Ill.

Two Sides.—The sentiment of Wall street is that the President has given it a hard knock. The sentiment of the country is that the more Wall street gets of the same kind of knock the better.

JOKES OF OUR OWN

LOOKED THE PART.

"That man is a noted Wall street lamb!"

"Yes; I noticed he had mutton-chop whiskers."

NEEDED NO NEW BONDS.

"Did you buy any of the new city bonds?"

"Not on your life! I've just married, and my matrimonial bonds are about all I can manage."

RECOGNIZED MERIT.

"What an awful lot of soundbites our ancestors must have been!"

"Yes, indeed! The first time they found a man who couldn't tell a lie they made him Father of his Country."

INSULT TO INTELLIGENCE.

"Father, I cannot tell a lie, I chopped it down with my little hatchet."

"I didn't suppose you chopped it down with a toothbrush or a theatre programme. A boy with no more brains than you will never be President."

NOTHING MEANS ABOUT HIM.

"The house will be sold out to-night. If I get you two seats for the show I'm managing, it'll mean that I must pay \$2 apiece for them out of my own pocket."

"Well, say, while you're about it, just buy me three and I'll bring my mother-in-law."

A HIGH MARK.

"That boy of yours is getting to be a beautiful tail!"

"He'd be taller yet if so much of him wasn't turned up for feet."

TEMPERANCE INSTITUTION.

"My husband used to be a heavy drinker, but he hasn't touched a drop of liquor in ten years."

"A whole lot of men at Sing Sing have the same record."

NATURALLY.

"I attended a marriage of two deaf mutes to-day."

"I suppose it was a quiet wedding."



CADBURY, GEORGE and T. P. RUGG, who has bought the London Daily News and will publish it in no racing or betting news.

FRENCH, DANIEL C. has been appointed to model the statue of Gen. Bartlett and Hooker for the Massachusetts State House grounds.

MC DONALD, SIR WILLIAM has donated \$125,000 to establish an agricultural college at Guelph, Ontario.

MILMAN, SIR ARCHIBALD is about to publish reminiscences of his thirty-one years' service as clerk of the House of Commons.

PAUL, GRAND DUKE of Russia is so tall that he has had a bed made for him, which is carried wherever he goes, as no hotel bed is long enough for him.

PICKERING, PROF. E. C. of Harvard has just received a silver loving cup in recognition of his twenty-five years' service as director of the Observatory.



Queen Margherita of Italy will visit Jerusalem early in the spring and make a tour of the sacred places in Palestine.

The household and entertainments of the late Empress Frederick of Germany, at Stourhead and at Berlin, have been broken up. The members of her household and her old servants have been pensioned from Jan. 1. Her palace near the opera-house in Berlin reverts to her grandson, the Crown Prince, and will be thoroughly repaired and redecorated during the year.

The baroness von Odenhausen, of Berlin, whose friends celebrated her eighty-sixth birthday a few days ago, and who attained distinction by her services as nurse on the battlefields of Europe, has been invited to meet Prince Henry on the occasion of his visit to the Hub. This exceptional honor is tendered her because of the iron cross which the Prince's grandfather, Emperor William I, presented to her in recognition of her work for his soldiers.

BRavery.

They called him brave because he started to go.

Where danger skinned in every tangled brake,

They called him fearless, since he faced a foe.

Who was destruction for his country's sake.

They called him brave because he did not run.

When bullets flew above his head—because

He did not turn and throw away his gun.

Instead of standing frozen where he was.

They called him brave—he saw a cripple pass.

And deemed his hump a thing for laughing at.

He looked about a poor, scared face, alas!

God save me from such bravery as that!

—S. E. KISER, in the Chicago Record-Herald.

The Funny Side of Life.

THINGS WE SHALL NOT SHOW PRINCE HENRY. BORROWED JOKES.



OUR DOUGHTY TOWNSMAN "JOHN DOE."

ONE ON THE HORSE.

IN THE GREAT CITY.



Heavyweight—Didn't you say as that horse I bought off you was afraid of nothing?

Lightweight—Nothing, in reason.

Heavyweight—Well, he shied at me this morning.

Lightweight—Ah, I expect he heard yer puffin' an' couldn't see no steam!

IN FLORIDA.

AN EXPLANATION.



Second Same—Now, I fetched that with me I came down here to shoot a nelly.



Papa—Maybe the way he spanked England had something to do with it.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE ON MANY TOPICS.

"An Unmixed Blessing."

To the Editor of the Evening World:

I see that 5,000 men were given employment cleaning off the snow. Hence, instead of grumbling at inconvenience, let us regard that little blizzard as an unmixed blessing, since it gave work to so many men. If we had more snow we might have less poverty.

ARTHUR Z. FRANK.

Scores the Office Boy.

To the Editor of the Evening World:

I want to go on record as sending my feeble protest against that latest, most independent, inefficient, useless, inconsequential, shiftless, needless, stupid, sulky, precocious, worthless being known as the office boy. I wish a school for office boys could be formed to save us from

To Relieve Bridge Crunch.

To the Editor of the Evening World:

Why couldn't the promenade of the bridge be raised one story higher, and, on present promenade, run another line of cars? This would help a great deal.

Good for the Lungs.

To the Editor of the Evening World:

It is every one on getting up in the morning would stand on his tiptoes, close his mouth, draw in slowly a long breath until the lungs are full, and would exhale it just as slowly, repeating this ten times, and when walking in

Criticizes "Three Platoon."

To the Editor of the Evening World:

In regard to the three-platoon system I wish to say I consider it a humbug. Commissioner Partridge made a very wise change in going back to the two-platoon system. Every sensible patrolman knows the latter the best plan for the public welfare. Under the three-platoon system, the men are on duty for twelve hours, and are worn out on night tour. Under the present system there are twice as many men out during the night, which gives the public more protection and is as it should be. PATROLMAN.

AS A SUBSTITUTE.

Congressman—I tell you, sir, the people demand free sugar of Congress.

Senator—Pshaw! The people should be satisfied with the taffy we give them.

Chicago News.

ONE MAN'S VIEW.

"Do you believe in love at first sight, Chris?"

"Sure. If more men took a closer look they wouldn't fall in love."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

HIS MORNING MEAL.

The teacher in the first grade was developing the word "breakfast." By way of introduction she addressed the class thus:

"What is the first meal you eat in the morning?"

"Oatmeal," promptly responded John.

Chicago Bulletin.

FEMINE LOGIC.

They were both friends, of course.

"Do you think," asked he, "that she is as old as she looks?"

"She tries not to look it," replied she, "so she must be."

Femine perspicacity transcends masculine reasoning.—Indianapolis News.

RUN DOWN.

McJigger—What's the matter with your neck?

Thingumbob—Ble.

McJigger—Ble, eh?

Thingumbob—No, ble. Auto.—Philadelphia Press.

IF IT WERE TRUE.

Gives of great men oft remind us.

We can make our lives sublime.

(It's true that time is money)

If we only have the time.

—Baltimore News.

ALERT.

"A farmer ought to read a great deal, just the same as any other business man."

"Yes," answered Farmer Contossel.

"It keeps me so busy posting up on railroad rates and the tariff that I'm sometimes afraid I won't have time to raise the stuff to send to market."—Washington Star.

UNDER THE WAITE LIGHT GLARE.

Maude Thomas, of "The Way of the World" company, is a handsome and statuesque young woman. To see Miss Thomas doing the haw-haw society act, inclusive of the handshake on a level with her pretty chin, is to believe her to be "to the manner born." It is difficult to realize that Miss Thomas stepped from the ranks of the chorus into her present position. The fact remains, however,

Hamilton Revelle, of Mrs. Carter's Company, was intended for the army.

His English is Spanish but his father is a British officer in the Royal Horse Artillery. Young Revelle ran away from home, however, and at sixteen years of age was playing at Daly's Theatre. He is doing excellent work this season in the Du Barry play.

Alice Leigh, who made one of the strong hits in "Under Southern Skies" when the piece was produced at the Republic, has been engaged for One Read's new play, "The Starbuckes," and is rehearsing in Chicago. Miss Leigh will be seen in the part of Mrs. Starbuck. The scenes of the play are laid in Tennessee.

Emma Carus is that rara avis a woman who can keep a secret. Miss Carus is now laughing right merrily over the way in which she has kept her friends guessing about her affairs. Some of these friends have been expecting almost daily to see her annex a husband, but very few, if any, of them had an idea that the little woman with the big voice was already provided with a legitimate

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